

In the claims:

Please amend claims 1 and 10 as follows, the remainder of the claims have been included below, wherein claims 1-19 are currently pending in the present application.

1. (Twice Amended) A hanger adapted for retaining and hanging objects, the hanger

comprising:

a ring;

at least two upper flexible members having first and second ends, wherein each member is received through an aperture of said ring and each upper flexible member permanently connected to each other respectively at a distance spaced apart from said ring, said flexible members defining an upper portion of said hanger;

a lower hanger portion, said lower hanger portion including of at least two lower flexible members having first and second ends, wherein each of the two members are [fixedly attached] permanently connected to each other at a mid point, the first and second ends including an adjustment means configured to receive said second ends of said upper flexible members; and

a flexible retaining ring, said flexible retaining ring [configured to receive] directly coupled to said first and second ends of said lower flexible members, wherein said retaining ring is configured to retain said ends of said lower flexible members at a distance spaced apart from one another.

2. (Previously presented) The hanger according to Claim 1, wherein said upper flexible members are nylon.

3. (Previously presented) The hanger according to Claim 2, wherein said lower flexible members are nylon

4. (Previously presented) The hanger according to Claim 3, wherein said flexible retaining ring [is] has an adjustable length.

5. (Previously presented) The hanger according to Claim 1, wherein the upper and lower flexible members are cylindrical in cross-section

6. (Previously presented) The hanger according to Claim 1, wherein said ring is constructed of a material chosen from the group consisting of: steel, stainless steel, titanium, ceramic, plastic.

7. (Previously presented) The hanger according to Claim 1, wherein the lower hanger portion is configured to retain a plant container.
8. (Previously presented) The hanger according to Claim 1, wherein the lower hanger portion is configured to retain an audio loudspeaker.
9. (Previously presented) The hanger according to Claim 1, wherein said adjustment means includes a buckle.
10. (Twice Amended) A hanger for suspending a plant container and the like from a fixed support, said hanger comprising:
  - a first ring;
  - an upper portion, said upper portion including at least two flexible upper members having first and second ends defining a length, wherein the flexible members are disposed through an aperture of said ring wherein equal lengths of said members are disposed on each side of said ring, wherein each flexible member permanently connected to each other respectively at a distance spaced apart from said ring; and
  - a container supporting member, said container supporting member including at least two flexible members having first and second ends, each [fixedly attached] permanently connected to one another about a midpoint and including connection means at each end, wherein said connection means are adapted to receive said first and second end of said upper members,
  - said container supporting member further including a third flexible support member, wherein said third flexible member is [configured to be fixedly attached] directly coupled to and adjacent to the first and second ends of said flexible members comprising said container supporting member.
11. (Previously presented) The hanger according to Claim 10, wherein said flexible upper members further include means configured to adjust said length of said members disposed through said aperture of said ring.
12. (Previously presented) The hanger according to Claim 11, wherein said upper flexible member are constructed of a material chosen from the group consisting of: nylon webbing, cotton

webbing, leather, plastic webbing, nylon rope, cotton rope, steel rope, steel webbing, chain and textile.

13. (Previously presented) The hanger according to Claim 12, wherein said flexible members of container support member are constructed of a material chosen from the group consisting of: nylon webbing, cotton webbing, leather, plastic webbing, nylon rope, cotton rope, steel rope, steel webbing, chain and textile.

14. (Previously presented) The hanger according to Claim 10, wherein said third flexible member forms a generally cylindrical shaped member.

15. (Previously presented) The hanger according to Claim 14, wherein said third flexible member further includes a length adjustment member.

16. (Previously presented) The hanger according to Claim 10, wherein said container supporting member includes a third flexible member, wherein the flexible members have a first and second end, the first end having a connector adapted to receive the ends of the upper flexible members and the second ends coupled to a second ring.

17. (Previously presented) The hanger according to Claim 16, wherein the first ring is constructed of a material selected from the group consisting of: ferrous metals, non-ferrous metals, plastics, composites and ceramics.

18. (Previously presented) The hanger according to Claim 10, further including an insulated cooler disposed within the container supporting member.

19. (Previously presented) The hanger according to Claim 10, wherein the ends of the upper flexible members include a buckle portion disposed thereon and the container support member further includes a buckle portion disposed on the ends of the flexible members thereon, wherein each of the buckle portions are configured to detachably receive one another.